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Attention: APPLICATION DIVISION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Letter dated June 23, 2006, in connection with the above-identified application, copy attached, attached hereto is an executed Declaration for Patent Application in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63. In addition, a credit card payment form in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the required surcharge for filing the Declaration is also attached, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.16.

Please charge any shortages in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (1350.45501X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 10/03/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 10/03/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 10/03/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 10/03/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 10/03/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 10/03/2005
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 10/03/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 10/03/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 10/03/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

#### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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